



# Computing at CDF



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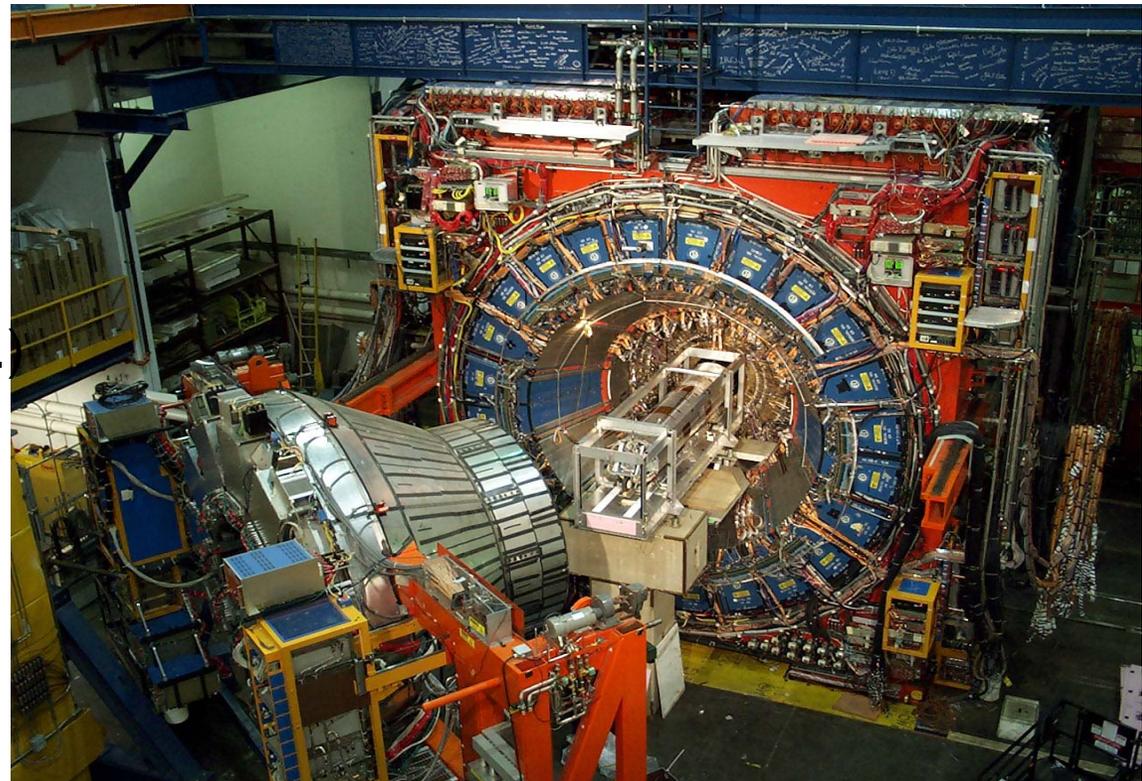
# CDF in a Nutshell



- CDF + D0 experiments analyze  $p\bar{p}$  collisions from Tevatron at Fermilab
- Tevatron highest energy collider in world ( $\sqrt{s} = 2 \text{ TeV}$ ) until LHC
- Run I (1992-1996) huge success  $\rightarrow$  200+ papers (t quark discovery, ...)
- Run II (March 2001-) upgrades for luminosity ( $\times 10$ ) + energy ( $\sim 10\% \uparrow$ )  
 $\rightarrow$  expect integrated luminosity  $20\times$  (Run IIa) and  $150\times$  (Run IIb) of Run I

## Run II physics goals:

- **Search for Higgs boson**
- **Top quark properties** ( $m_t, \sigma_{\text{tot}}, \dots$ )
- **Electroweak** ( $m_W, \Gamma_W, ZZ\gamma, \dots$ )
- **Search for new physics** (e.g. SUSY)
- **QCD at large  $Q^2$**  (jets,  $\alpha_s, \dots$ )
- **CKM tests in  $b$  hadron decays**

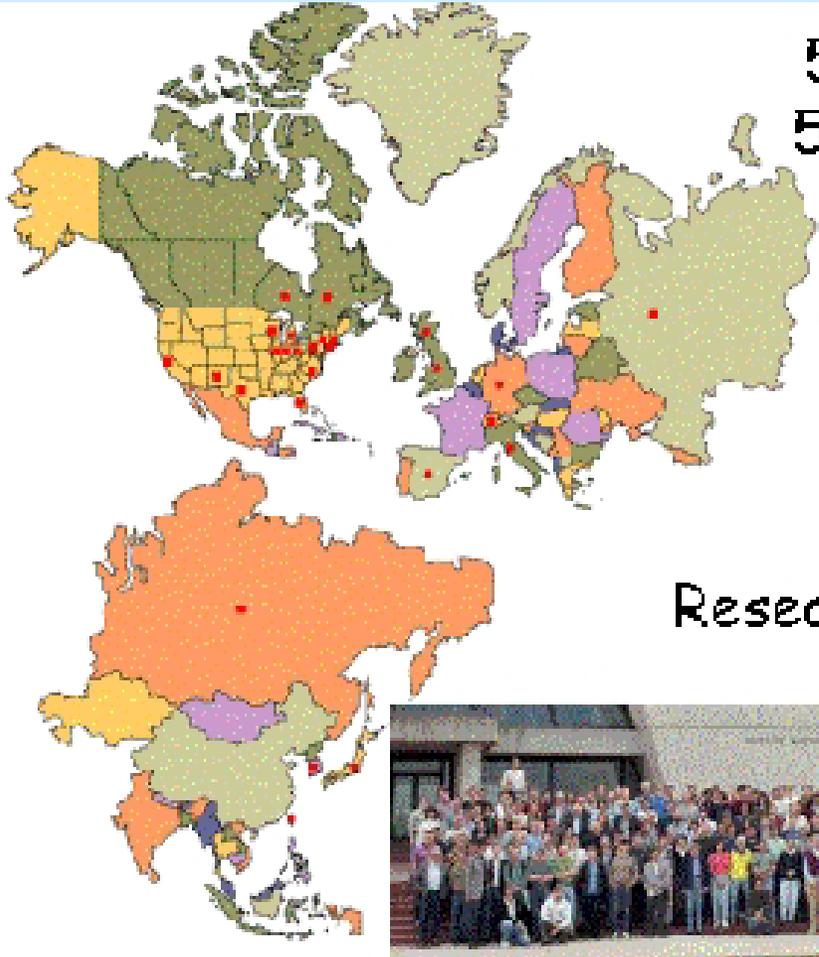




# CDF RunII Collaboration



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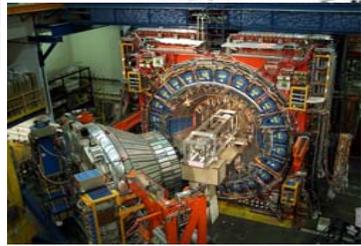
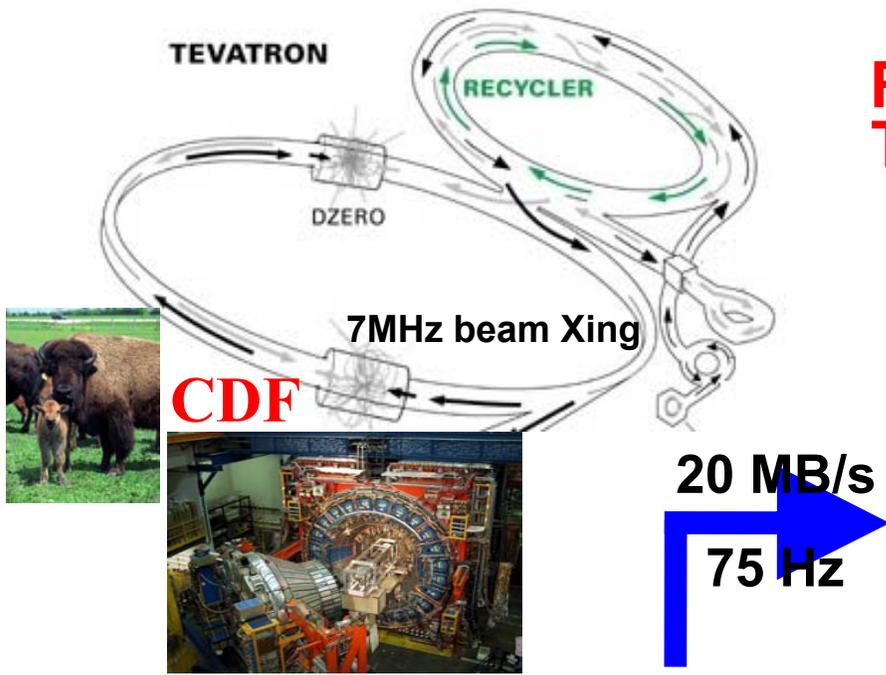
525+ scientists  
55+ institutions  
11+ countries

Students  
Postdoc's  
Professors  
Research Scientists



**Goal:** Provide computing resources for 200+ collaborators simultaneously doing analysis per day!

# CDF DAQ/Analysis Flow



**Robotic  
Tape Storage**



Read/write  
Data

MC Recon



**Production Farm**

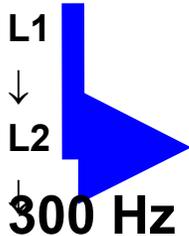
**User  
Desktops**



Data

Analysis

0.75 Million channels



**Level 3 Trigger**



**Central Analysis Facility  
(CAF)**





# Reconstruction Farms

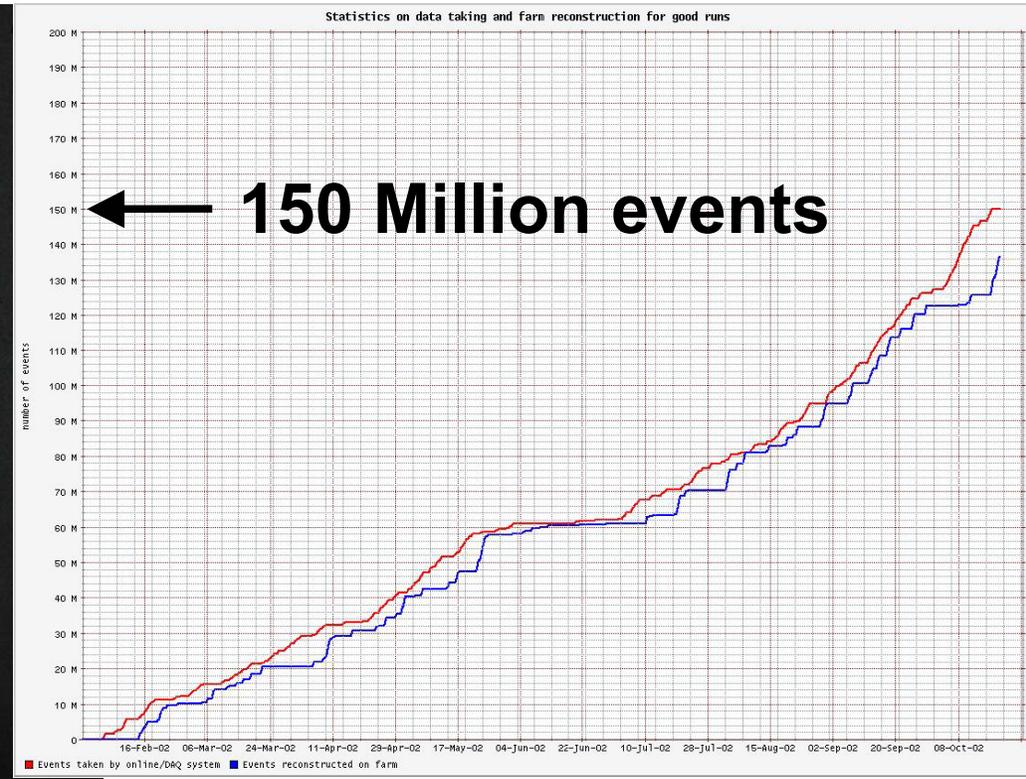


Data reconstruction + validation, Monte Carlo generation

154 dual P3's (equivalent to 244 1 Ghz machines)

Job management:

- Batch system → FBSNG developed at FNAL
- Single executable, validated offline



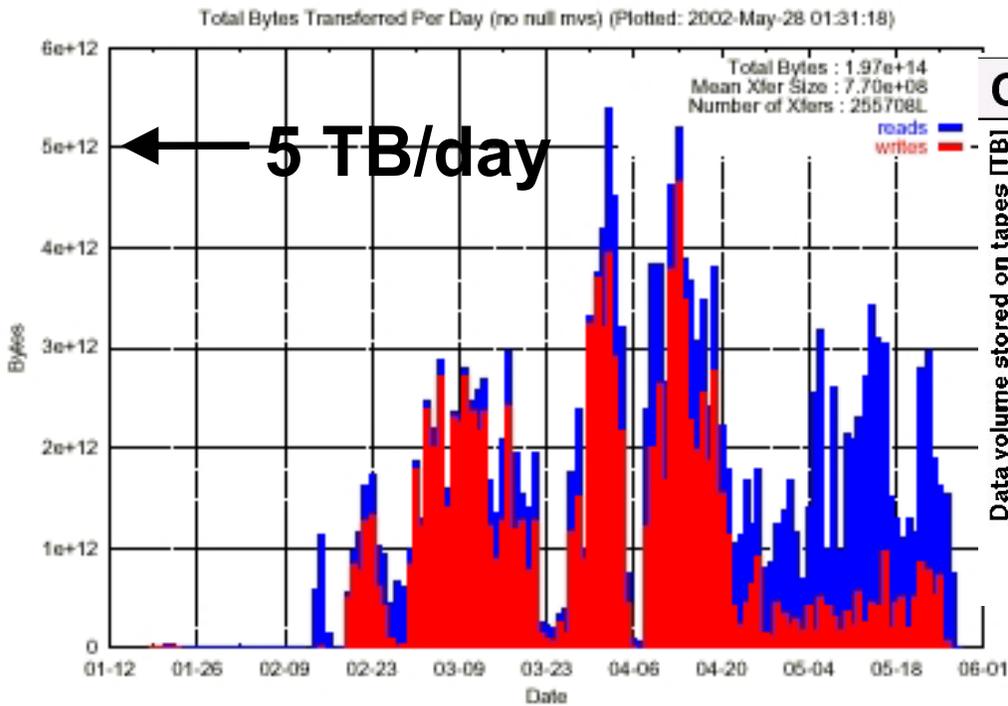


# Data Handling

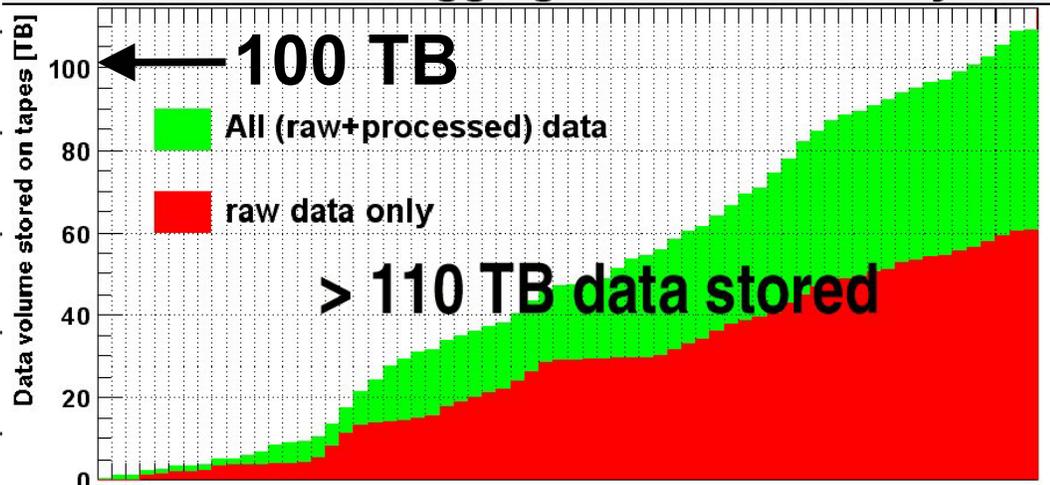


Data archived using STK 9940 drives and tape robot

**Enstore:** Network-attached tape system developed at FNAL  
→ provides interface layer for staging data from tape



CDF Run II Data Logging March 2001 - May 2002



**Today: 176TB on tape**



# Database Usage at CDF



## Oracle DB: Metadata + Calibrations

### DB Hardware:

- › 2 Sun E4500 Duals
- › 1 Linux Quad

### Presently evaluating:

- › MySQL
- › Replication to remote sites
- › Oracle9 streams, failover, load balance





# Data/Software Characteristics



## Data Characteristics:

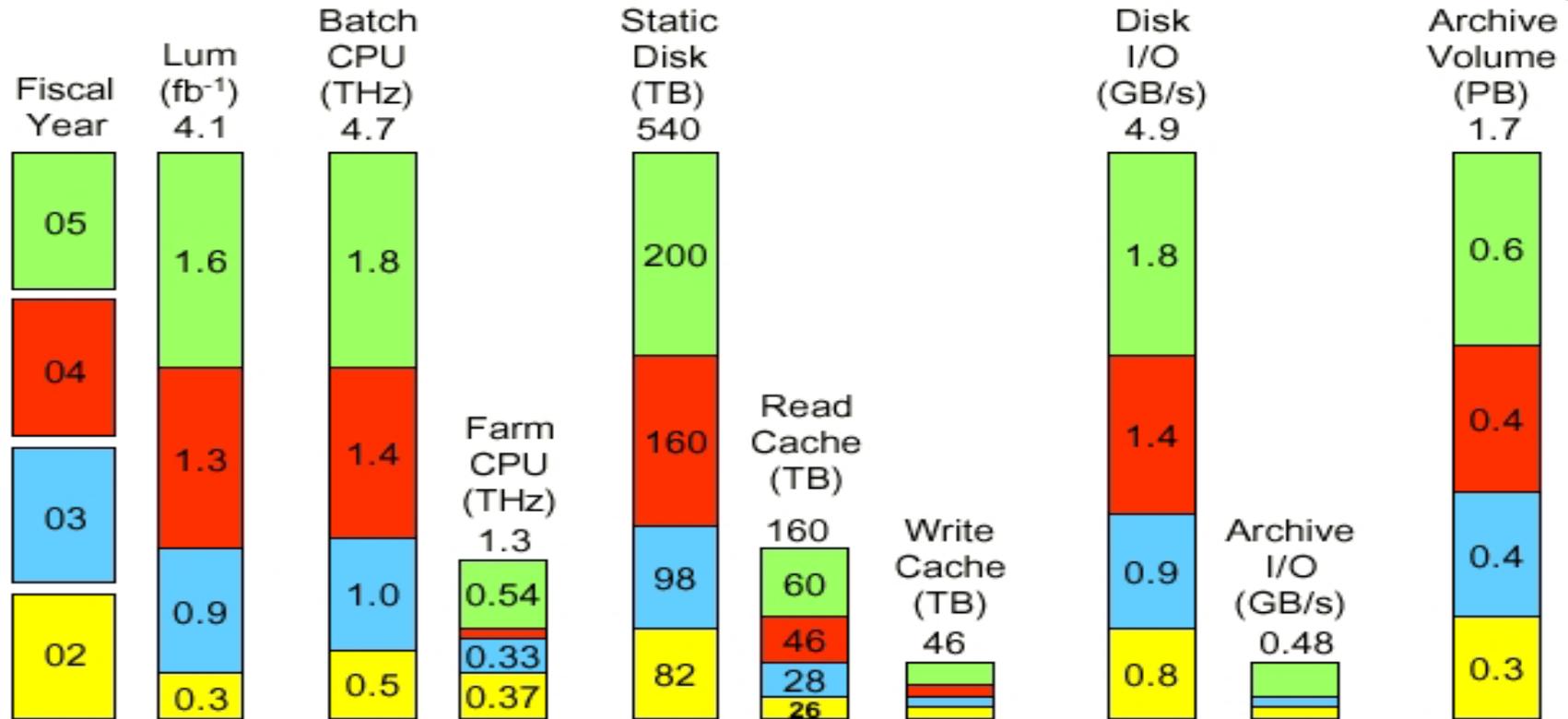
- Root I/O sequential for raw data: **~250 kB/event**
- Root I/O multi-branch for reco data: **50-100 kB/event**
- 'Standard' ntuple: **5-10 kB/event**
- Typical RunIIa secondary dataset size:  **$10^7$  events**

## Analysis Software:

- Typical analysis jobs run @ **5 Hz** on 1 GHz P3
  - **few MB/sec**
- CPU rather than I/O bound (FastEthernet)



# Computing Requirements



## Requirements set by goal:

200 simultaneous users to analyze secondary data set ( $10^7$  evts) in a day

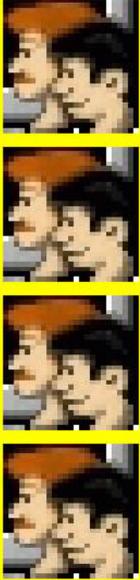
Need ~700 TB of disk and ~5 THz of CPU by end of FY'05:

→ need lots of disk → need cheap disk → IDE Raid

→ need lots of CPU → commodity CPU → dual Intel/AMD



# Past CAF Computing Model



Large SMP (128 processor SGI)  
Expensive disks (FiberChannel/SCSI)

- Analysis Code Development
- Analysis Job Debugging
- Interactive Analysis Jobs
- Batch Jobs
- "Other" Usage



Very expensive to expand and maintain

Bottom line:

**Not enough 'bang for the buck'**



# Design Challenges



develop/debug interactively @ remote desktop  
✓ **code management & rootd**

Send binary & 'sandbox' for execution on CAF  
✓ **kerberized gatekeeper**

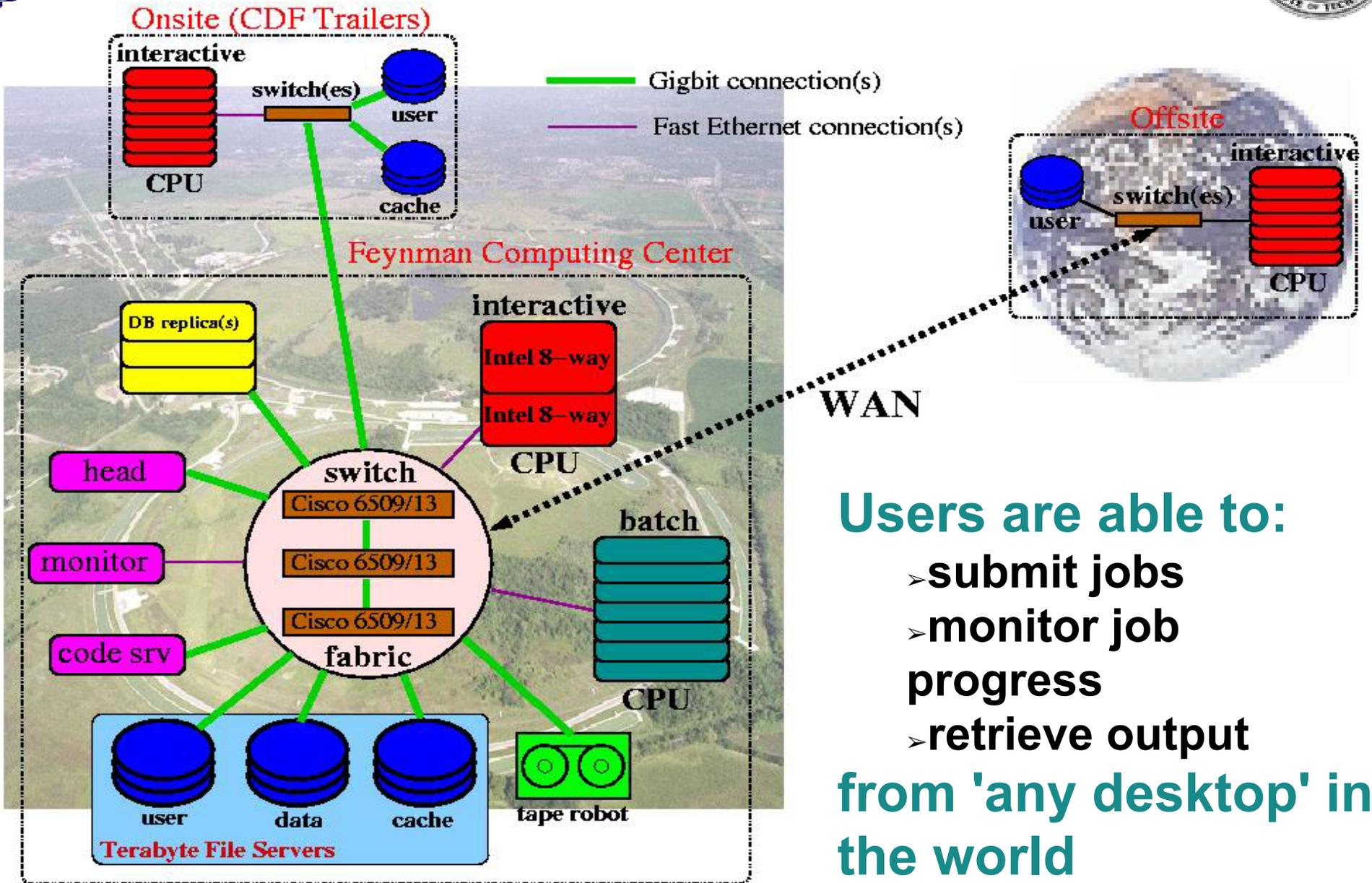
no user accounts on cluster

**BUT**

user access to scratch space with quotas  
✓ **creative use of kerberos**



# CAF Architecture



**Users are able to:**

- > submit jobs
- > monitor job progress
- > retrieve output from 'any desktop' in the world



# CAF Milestones



- Start of CAF design
- CAF prototype (protoCAF) assembled
- Fully-functional prototype system (>99% job success)
- ProtoCAF integrated into Stage1 system
- Production Stage1 CAF for collaboration

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2/25/02

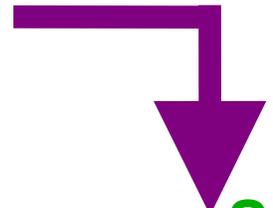
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5/30/02



ProtoCAF



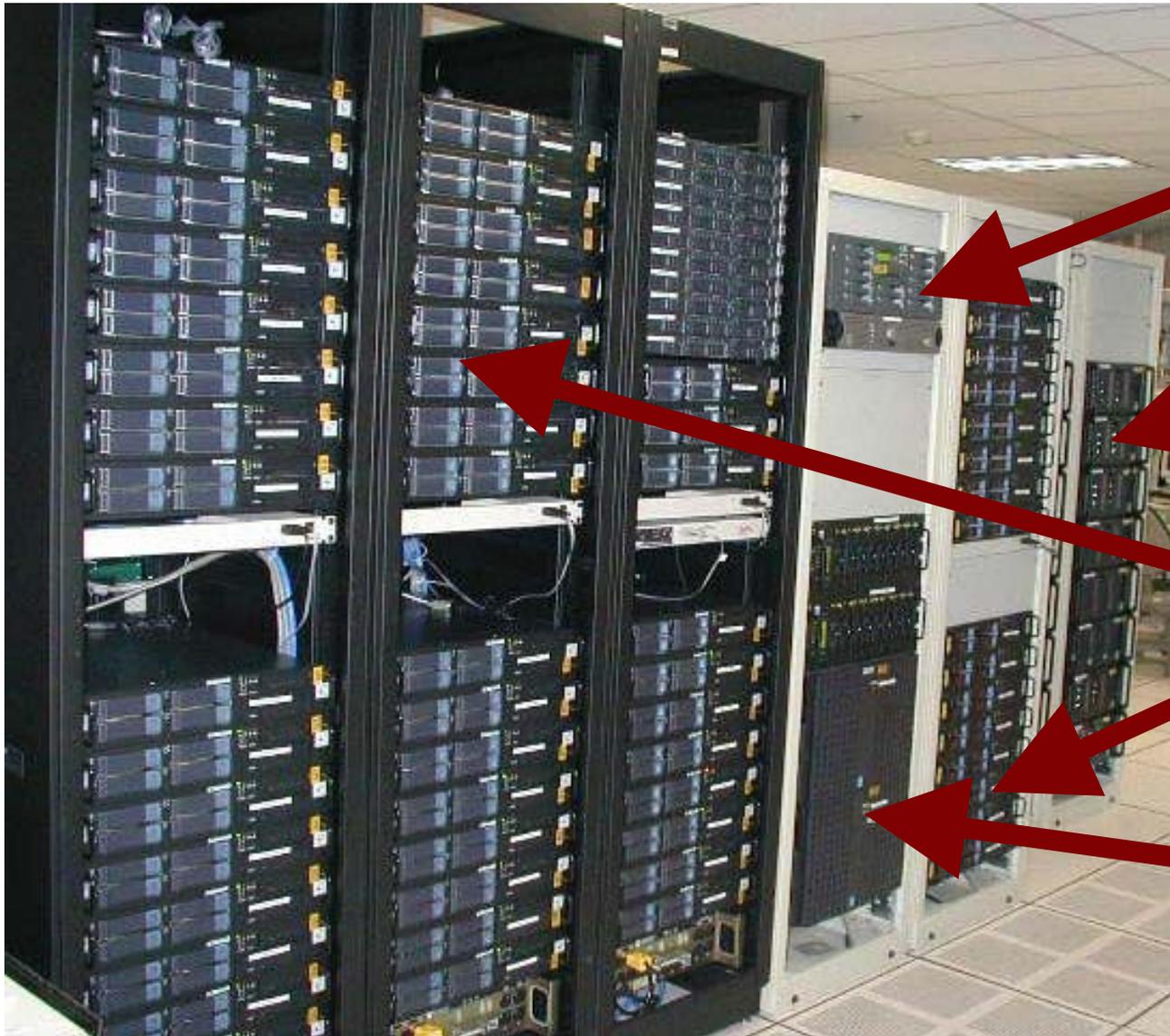
Stage1



Design → Production system in 6 months!



# CAF Stage 1 Hardware



Code Server

File Servers

Worker Nodes

Linux 8-ways  
(interactive)



# Stage 1 Hardware: Workers



**Workers (132 CPUs, 1U+2U rackmount):**

16 2U Dual Athelon 1.6GHz / 512MB

RAM

50 1U/2U Dual P3 1.26GHz / 2GB RAM

FE (11 MB/s) / 80GB job scratch each





# Stage 1 Hardware: Servers



**Servers (35TB total, 16 4U rackmount):**

**2.2TB useable IDE RAID50 hot-swap**

**Dual P3 1.4GHz / 2GB RAM**

**SysKonnnect 9843 Gigabit Ethernet card**

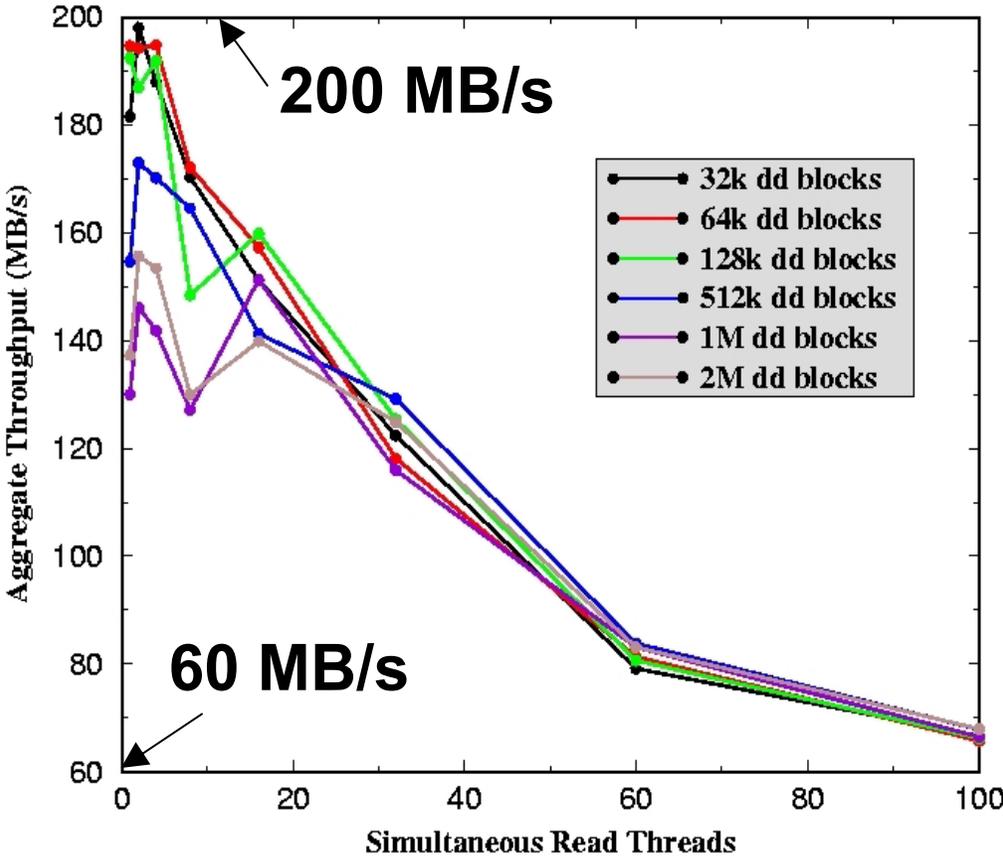




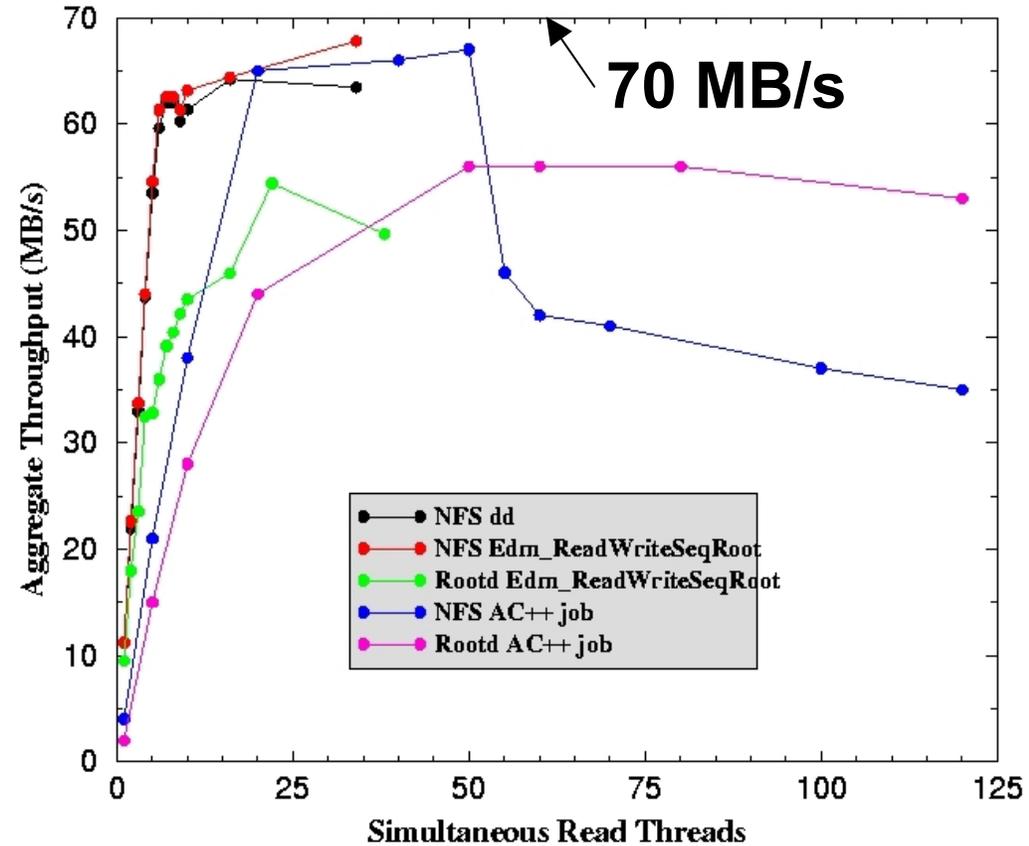
# File Server Performance



Local disk reads



Remote reads from CAF file server



**Server/Client Performance:** Up to **200MB/s local reads, 70 MB/s NFS**

**Data Integrity tests:** md5sum of local reads/writes under heavy load

$$\text{BER read/write} = 1.1 \pm 0.8 \times 10^{-15} / 1.0 \pm 0.3 \times 10^{-13}$$

**Cooling tests:** Temp profile of disks w/ IR gun after extended disk thrashing



# Stage2 Hardware



## Worker nodes:

238 Dual Athlon MP2000+, 1U rackmount

**1 THz of CPU power**

## File servers:

76 systems, 4U rackmount, dual red. Power supply

14 WD180GB in 2 RAID5 on 3ware 7500-8

2 WD40GB in RAID1 on 3ware 7000-2

1 GigE Syskonnect 9843

Dual P3 1.4GHz

**150 TB disk cache**



# Stage1 Data Access



## Static files on disk:

**NFS mounted to worker nodes  
remote file access via rootd**

## Dynamic disk cache:

**dCache in front of Enstore robot**



# Problems & Issues



## Resource overloading:

- › DB meltdown → dedicated replica, startup delays
- › Rcp overload → replaced with fcp
- › Rootd overload → replaced with NFS, dCache
- › File server overload → scatter data randomly

## System issues:

- › Memory problems → improved burn-in for next time
- › Bit error during rcp → checksum after copy
- › dCache filesystem issues → xfs & direct I/O



# Lessons Learned



- **Expertise in FNAL-CD is essential.**
- **Well organized code management is crucial.**
- **Independent commissioning of data handling and job processing → 3 ways of getting data to application.**



# CAF: User Perspective



## Job Related:

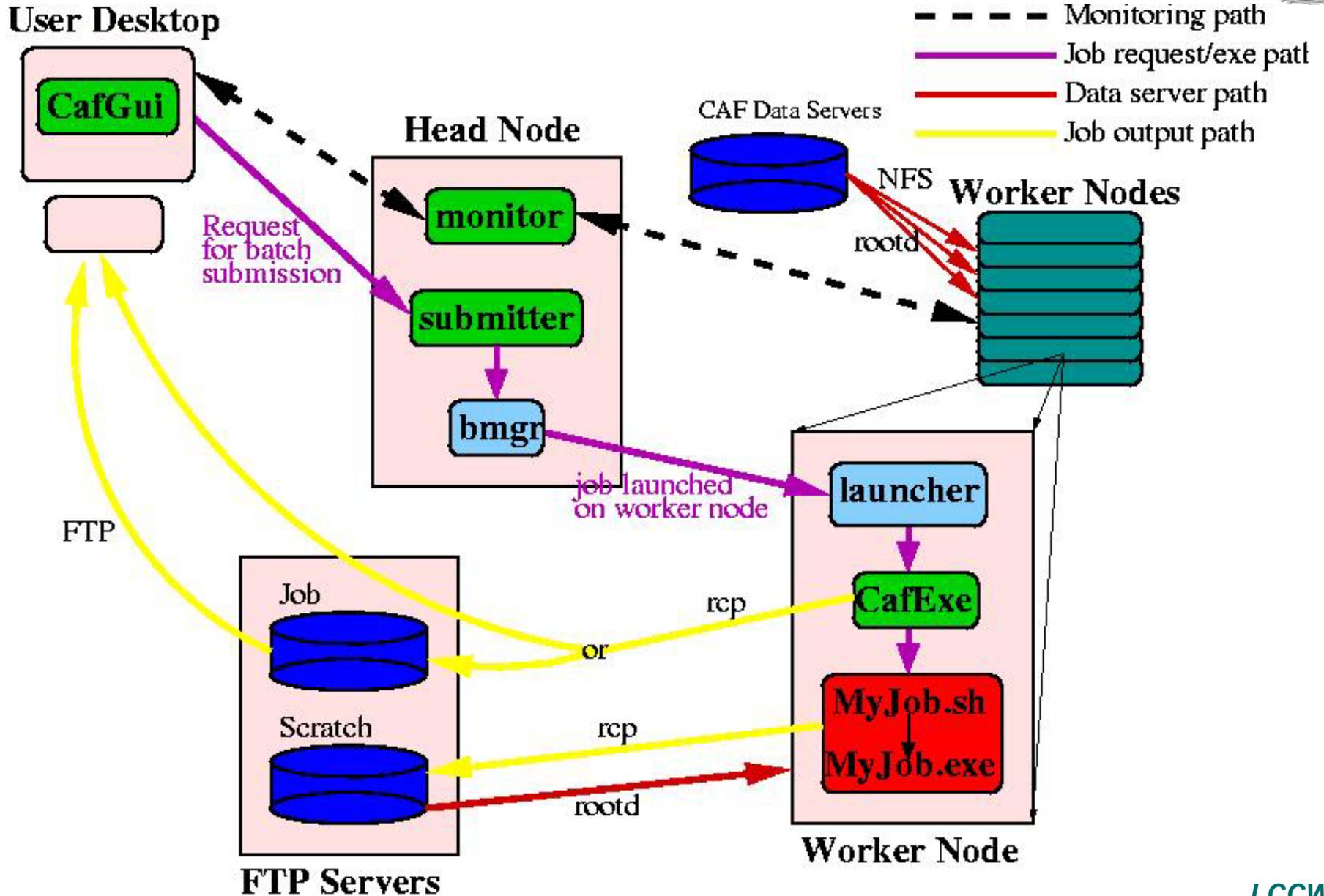
- **Submit jobs**
- **Check progress of job**
- **Kill a job**

## Remote file system access:

- **'ls' in job's 'relative path'**
- **'ls' in a CAF node's absolute path**
- **'tail' of any file in job's 'relative path'**



# CAF Software





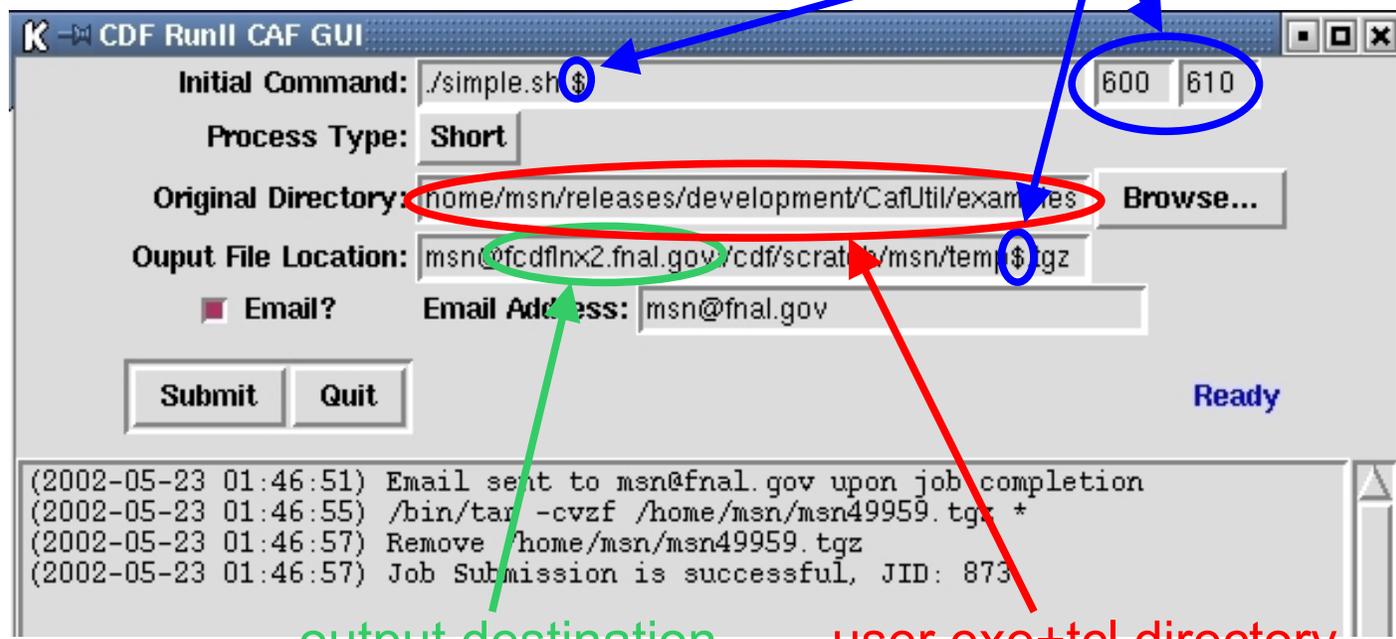
# CAF User Interface



➤ Compile, build, debug analysis job on 'desktop'

section integer range

➤ Fill in appropriate fields & submit job



output destination

user exe+tcl directory

➤ Retrieve output using kerberized FTP tools  
... or write output directly to 'desktop'!

# Web Monitoring of User Queues

Each user a different queue

Process type for job length

**test:** 5 mins

**short:** 2

hrs

**medium:** 6 hrs

**long:** 2

days

This example:

1 job → 11

sections

(+ 1 additional section automatic for job cleanup)

**FBSNG on the web**  
Farm: CAF  
Time: Thu May 23 02:32:41 2002  
Report: List of queues

**Queues** Jobs Nodes Process Types

**User Monitor**

Name	Status	Default Process Type	Share	Prio	Waiting	Ready	Running	Total
<a href="#">akorn</a>	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
<a href="#">amitl</a>	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
<a href="#">anikeev</a>	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
<a href="#">belforte</a>	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
<a href="#">msmartin</a>	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
<a href="#">msn</a>	OK	short	1.00	0	1	0	11	12
<a href="#">pauly</a>	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
<a href="#">paus</a>	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
<a href="#">ratukov</a>	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
<a href="#">rescigno</a>	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
<a href="#">semeria</a>	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
<a href="#">sfiligoi</a>	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
<a href="#">sgromoll</a>	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
<a href="#">shepard</a>	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
<a href="#">sidoti</a>	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
<a href="#">spezziga</a>	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
<a href="#">test</a>	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
<a href="#">thkim</a>	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
<a href="#">thom</a>	OK	short	1.00	0	1	0	1	2

# Monitoring jobs in your queue

Queue Name	Status	Type	Weight	Running	Pending	Completed	Failed	Aborted
msn	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
msmartin	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
paus	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
ratniko	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
rescigno	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
semeria	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
sfiligoi	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
sgromoll	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
shepard	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
sidoti	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
spezziga	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
test	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
thkim	OK	short	1.00	0	0	0	0	0
thom	OK	short	1.00	0	1	0	0	1

**FBSNG on the web**  
Farm: CAF  
Time: Thu May 23 01:47:23 2002  
Report: Queue msn

[Queues](#) [Jobs](#) [Nodes](#) [Process Types](#)

**User Monitor**

Queue Parameters [\[show\]](#)  
Status: **OK** Running: 11 Pending: 0

SectID	User	ProcType	Status	Prio	NProc	Date/Time
<a href="#">873.msn_600</a>	cdfcaf	short	running	0	1/1	Started at 05/23 01:47:09
<a href="#">873.msn_601</a>	cdfcaf	short	running	0	1/1	Started at 05/23 01:47:09
<a href="#">873.msn_602</a>	cdfcaf	short	running	0	1/1	Started at 05/23 01:47:10
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<a href="#">873.msn_605</a>	cdfcaf	short	running	0	1/1	Started at 05/23 01:47:11
<a href="#">873.msn_606</a>	cdfcaf	short	running	0	1/1	Started at 05/23 01:47:12
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<a href="#">873.msn_end</a>	cdfcaf	mailer	waiting	0	0/1	Submitted at 05/23 01:46:57

FCS Group | FBSNG  
FBSWWW version 0.1

# Monitoring sections of your job

Netscape: FBSWWW - queue msn@CAF

File Edit View Go Communicator Help

### FBSNG on the web

Farm: CAF  
Time: Thu May 23 01:47:23 2002  
Report: Queue msn

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Queue Parameters [show]

Status: OK Running 11 Pending: 0

SectID	User	ProcType
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873.msn_609	cdfcaf	short
873.msn_610	cdfcaf	short
873.msn_end	cdfcaf	mailer

PCSG

Netscape: FBSWWW - section 873.msn\_600 @ CAF

File Edit View Go Communicator Help

### FBSNG on the web

Farm: CAF  
Time: Thu May 23 01:48:13 2002  
Report: Section 873.msn\_600 status

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**User Monitor**

ID: 873.msn\_600 User: cdfcaf  
Queue: msn Process Type: short  
NProc: 1 Status: **running**  
Need: 0 Depends:  
Submitted: 05/23 01:46:57 Started: 05/23 01:47:09  
CPU time limit: 2h00m  
Proc Rsrc: cpu:100 disk:15 Sect Rsrc:

Command: /fbsng/caflcal/v1.01/CafExe cdfcaf@cdfhead1.fnal.gov:/home/cdfcaf/v1.01/submitter/cafln/msn\_%s.tgz msn@cdflnx2.fnal.gov:/cdf/scratch/msn/temp600.tgz msn 4h  
cdfcaf@cdfhead1.fnal.gov:/home/cdfcaf/v1.01/submitter/fbs/FBS\_%s.msn\_600.1.log ./simple.sh 600

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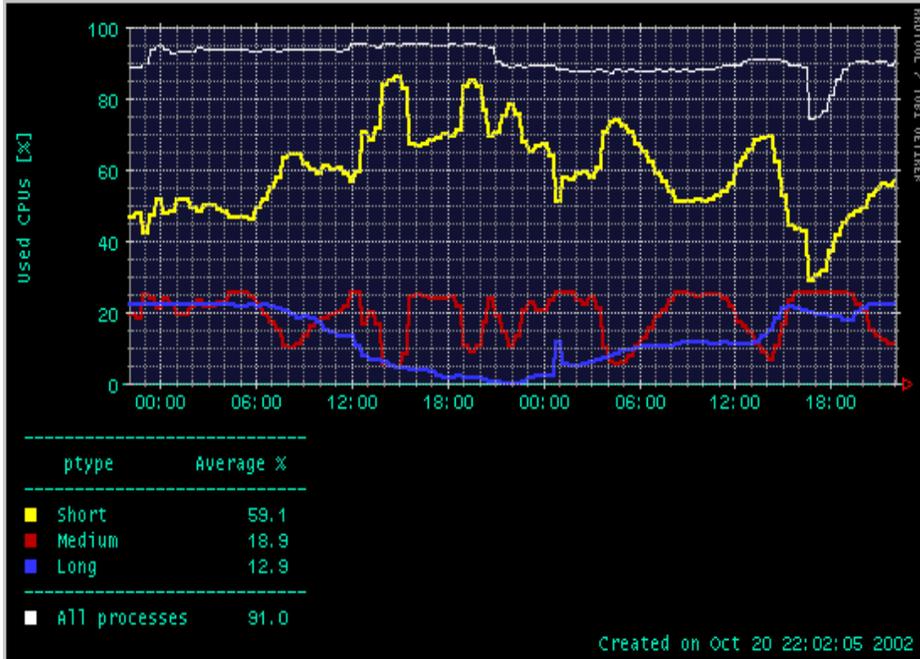
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			0	6940	simple.sh 600
			0	7221	sleep 120

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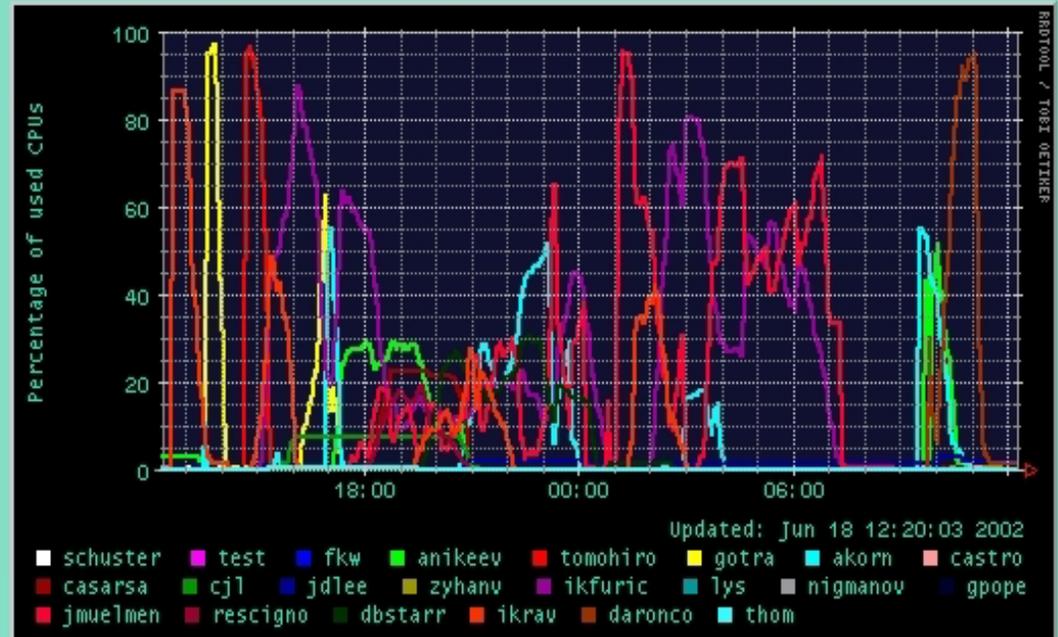


Summary Table

	Short	Medium	Long	All Types
Running sections	98	7	21	126
Pending sections	0	70	66	136
Waiting time [hh:mm] (24h average):				
per job	0:52	0:15	0:00	0:33
per section	4:14	3:29	2:44	3:29
Running time [hh:mm] (24h average)	0:27	4:34	4:08	3:03

Updated: Oct 20 22:00:03 2002

Active queues (last 24h)



Built using RRDTool

## CAF in active use by CDF collaboration

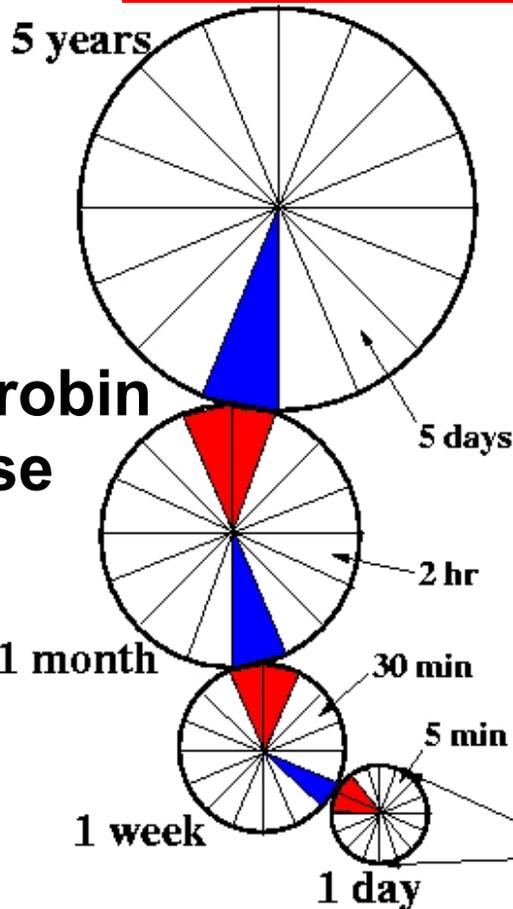
- > 300 CAF Users (queues) to date
- > Several dozen simultaneous users in a typical 24 hr period



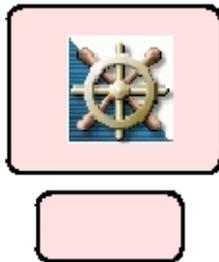
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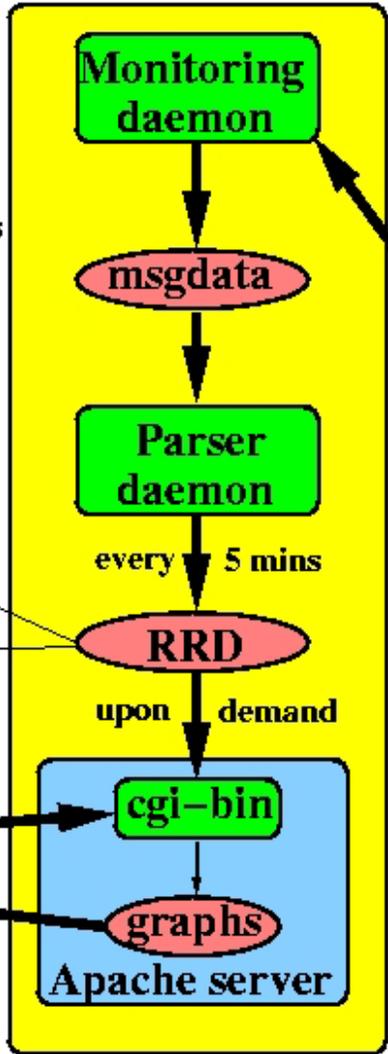
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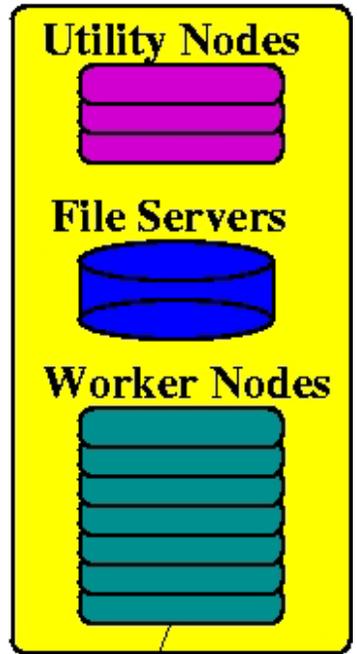
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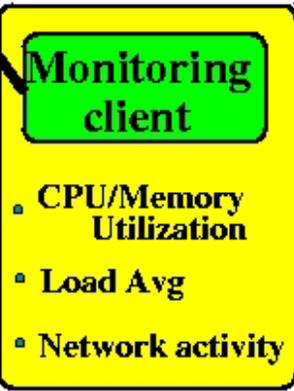
Monitoring Node



CAF Nodes



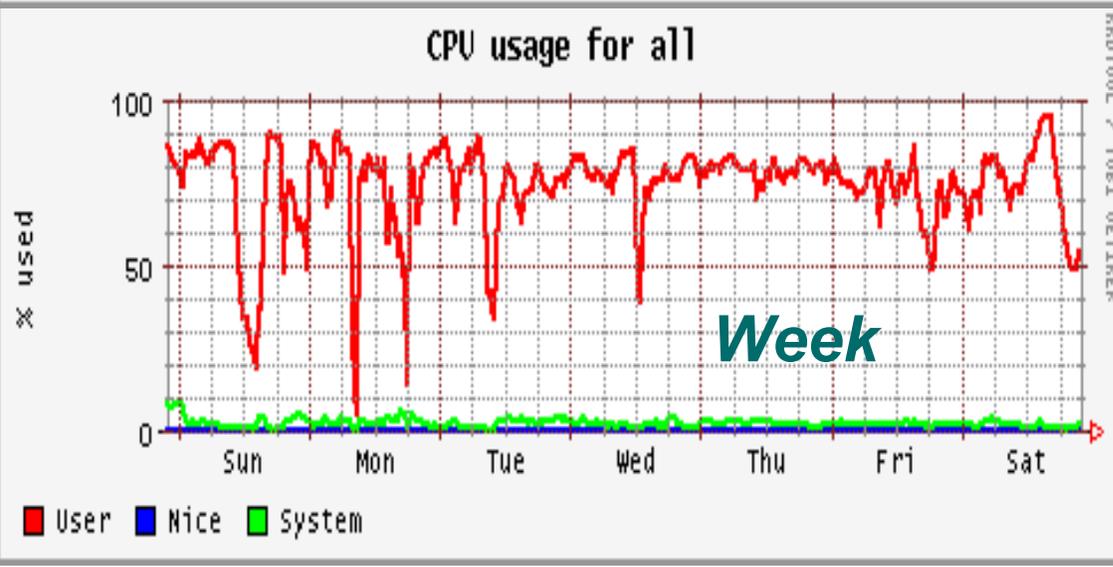
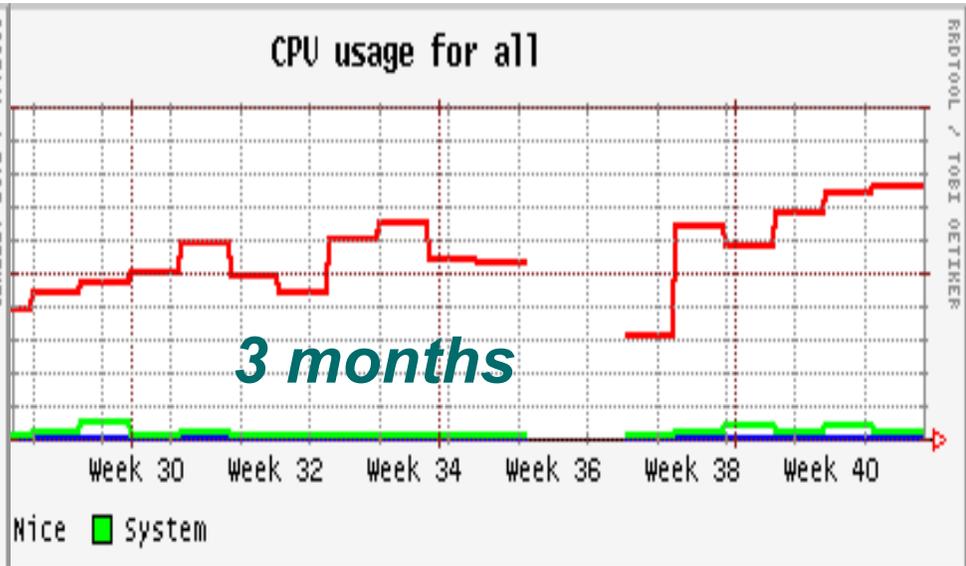
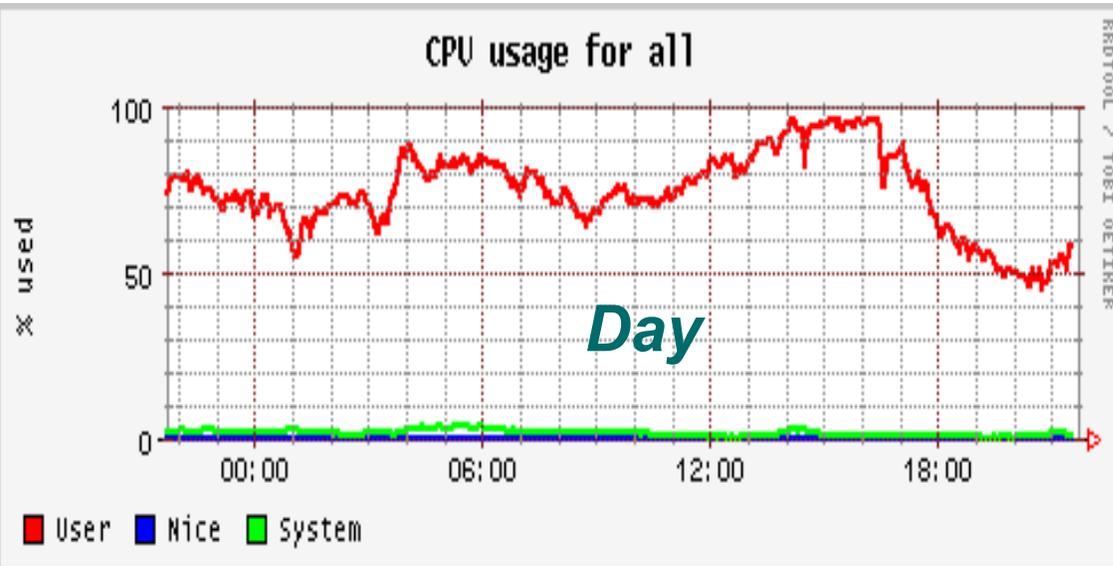
Client info every 30 secs



CAF Node



# CPU Utilization



**CAF utilization steadily rising since opened to collaboration**

**Provided 10-fold increase in analysis resources for last summer physics conferences**

**Need for more CPU for winter**

# Data Processing

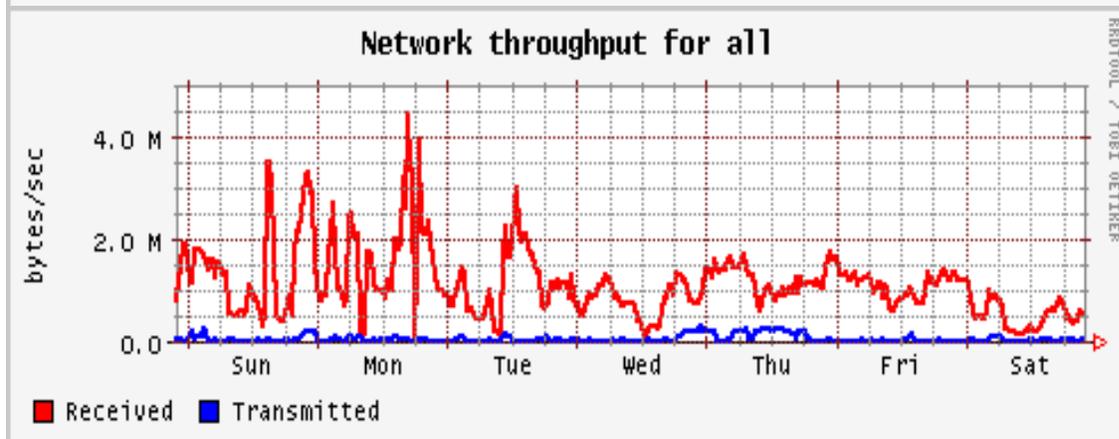
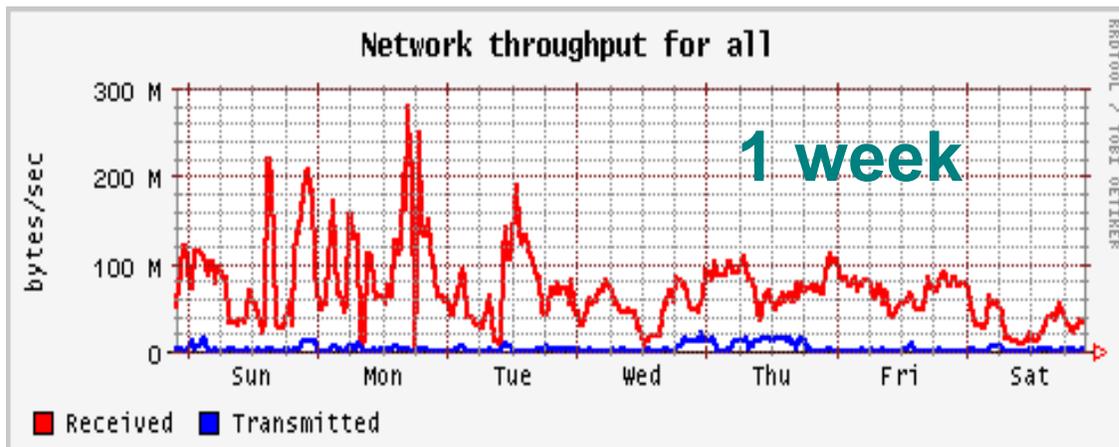
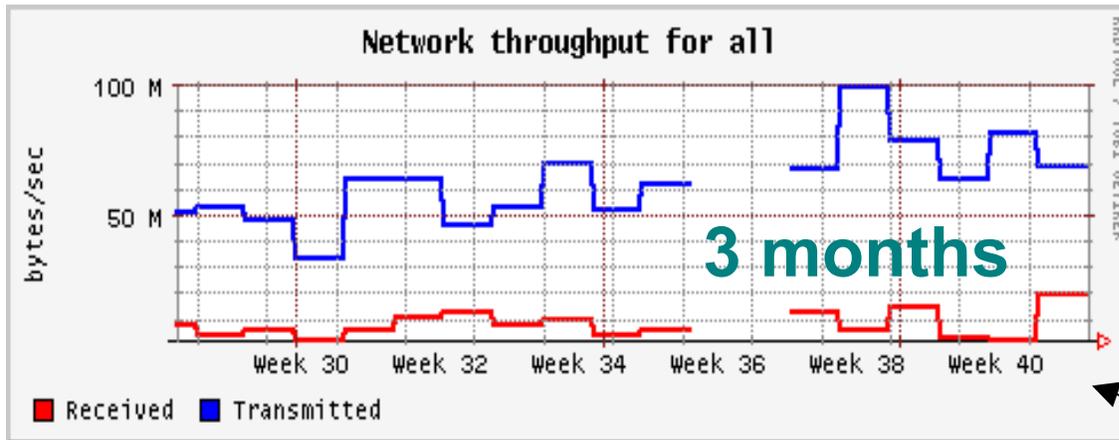
## File Server

Aggregate I/O  
4-8TB/day

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## Worker Node

Average I/O  
1-2MB/sec @  
~80% CPU util.





# Work in Progress



**Stage2 upgrade: 1THz CPU & 150TB disk**

**SAM → framework for global data handling/distribution**

**"DCAF" → remote "replicas" of CAF**

**Central login pool @ FNAL**



# CAF Summary



## Distributed Desk-to-Farm Computing Model

### Production system under heavy use:

- **Single farm at FNAL**
  - 4-8TB/day processed by user applications
  - Average CPU utilization of 80%
- **Many users all over the world**
  - 300 total users
  - typical: 30 users per day share 130 CPU's
  - Regularly several 1000 jobs queued
- **Connected to tape via large cache**
- **Currently updating to 1THz & 150TB**



# CDF Summary



## Variety of computing systems deployed:

- **Single app. Farms: Online & Offline**
- **Multiple app. Farm: user analysis farm**
- **Expecting 1.7Petabyte tape archive by FY05**
- **Expecting 700TB disk cache by FY05**
- **Expecting 5THz of CPU by FY05**
- **Oracle DB cluster with loadavg & failover for metadata.**